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Letter dated 25 October 1994 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit the attached statement from the representative of parliamentarian parties of the Assembly of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, dated 24 October 1994.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this statement as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 39, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement dated 24 October 1994 by the representatives of parliamentarian parties of the Assembly of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina

The parliamentarian political parties of the Assembly of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina express their deep appreciation, results notwithstanding, for United Nations efforts towards achieving peace in our region. They also express their sincere gratitude for the overwhelming efforts of the international community in delivering humanitarian aid, including the crucial "air drops", that have enabled hundreds of thousands of civilians to survive. We avail ourselves of this opportunity to convey, on behalf of the members and citizens of the internationally recognized Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, our most sincere appreciation and gratitude to the members of the international community.

In this respect, the conduct of Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, Commander of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in diverting the attention and resolve of the free world from punishing criminal acts and fascism to peripheral issues is unacceptable.

His request for the withdrawal of the forces of the Army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, while simultaneously tolerating the threats of Serb aggressors against the only overland communication route between Sarajevo and the rest of the world, is yet another manifestation of such behaviour.

It is clear that units of the Bosnian Army have started their withdrawal. Yet, nothing has been done to secure the route near Hrasnica, which is constantly exposed to the aggressor's artillery fire.

The parliamentarian political parties request that the Assembly of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina hold a dialogue on relations between the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and UNPROFOR, based upon the consistent implementation of all United Nations resolutions and decisions on Bosnia and Herzegovina. Furthermore, all efforts should be taken to bring to the knowledge of the international community the wide range of flagrant violations of our laws as well as international law by some members of the UNPROFOR forces.

We therefore request that Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose relinquish his current post and duties. We request an objective and impartial commander who would carry out the implementation of United Nations resolutions on the

ground, an individual who would serve legitimate United Nations interests, rather than the interests of his/her national Government.

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Union of Bosnian Social Democrats
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